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Sent Via E-mail to:

Recorder Justin Heap
Maricopa County Recorder's Office
301 W. Jefferson Street
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Re: Potential Unlawful Registration of Non-Citizen and Ineligible Voters

Dear Recorder Heap:

As we approach the 2026 midterm elections, the Department of Justice has become aware of three non-profit political organizations who may have registered ineligible voters in Maricopa County. Based on written and video reports, personnel acting on behalf of the following organizations either intentionally disregarded or were recklessly ignorant of Arizona's law prohibiting the registration of non-citizens in elections:

1. Stand Indivisible Arizona
2. Worker Power
3. When We Count

Based on a cursory review, it appears these organizations and their volunteers or employees may have violated A.R.S. § 16-182 by knowingly causing or procuring another person to be registered while knowing that person is not entitled to register to vote. Because you serve as the responsible county official, my office is requesting a review of registrations submitted by these groups to ensure only United States Citizens were registered to vote.

Thank you for your ongoing work and cooperation. I know you are dedicated to securing Arizona's elections as is the Department of Justice.

Sincerely,

TIMOTHY COURCHAINE
United States Attorney
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